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## NOTES OF THE SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Middle West Branch of the Society will be held in Cincinnati on February 22d, 1918. The Hebrew Union College has extended an invitation, and the local committee of arrangements, Messrs. Morgenstern, Grossman, Kohler, and Philipson, is already making provision for the entertainment of the members. The program has not been completed, but papers have been announced by Messrs. Breasted, Buttenwieser, Byrne, Fullerton, Kohler, Lybyer, Morgenstern, Olmstead, Tolman, Waterman, and Wolfenson, and others are under consideration. Members desiring to present communications are requested to inform the secretary of the Branch, A. T. Olmstead, Urbana, Illinois.

The annual meeting of the Society will take place at New Haven on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of Easter Week, April 2d, 3d, and 4th, 1918.

## NOTES OF OTHER SOCIETIES

A joint meeting of the Archaeological Institute, the American Philological Association, the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis, the American Historical Association, and the American Anthropological Association was held in Philadelphia at the University of Pennsylvania, December 26th to 29th, 1917. The Society of Biblical Literature held its sessions of the first day at Dropsie College. Several of the joint sessions were devoted to symposiums and topics of interest to Oriental students. On the 27th the following papers were presented, each one being followed by the remarks of an appointed opener of the discussion: "The Cosmopolitanism of the Religion of Tarsus and the Origin of Mithra," by A. L. Frothingham; "Oriental Impe-